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ABSTRACT

UNITED STATES ARMY COMBAT DEVELOPMENT COMMAND (CDC)
COMBAT OPERATIONS LOSS AND EXPENDITURE DATA-VIETNAM
(COLED-V), (Item Name File), 1968-1970, (machine-readable data file) Created by CDC, Produced by CDC,
National Archives and Records Administration (distributor)

TYPE OF FILE: Microdata. Item Name File. The units of observation are full name items placed into the COLED-V data base.

UNIVERSE DESCRIPTION: The universe consists of the full name of the item along with its federal stock number, model number, and line item number.

SUBJECT MATTER DESCRIPTION: Beginning in 1966, the U.S. Army, responding to the United States military build-up in South Vietnam, ordered the Combat Development Command (CDC) to start organizing a data base to measure the ammunition expenditure and item loss in South Vietnam by Army units. The result was the Combat Operations Loss and Expenditure Data-Vietnam. The data base, consisting of six data sets, was designed to assist the Army in planning for the appropriate allocation of ammunition and materiel. This data set, the Item Name File, was designed to provide a cross reference for the items placed into the data base. In addition to the full item name, the model number, federal stock number, and line item number are provided. As the American presence began to diminish in South Vietnam, the project was transferred to the U.S. Army Depot Systems Command (HQDESCOM) in 1970.

GEOGRAPHIC IDENTIFIERS: Item names with identifiers issued to the U.S. Army in South Vietnam.

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION:

FILE STRUCTURE: Fixed length, non-hierarchical. FILE SIZE: There are 956 records in this data set.

FILE SORT SEQUENCE: Arranged by full item name and thereunder by model number and by line item number and federal stock number.

REFERENCE MATERIAL: Background and technical information consisting of a briefing paper presented at the Project Advisory Group Meeting, August 8, 1969, record layouts, and codes are included as documentation. Agency documentation is supplemented.

by the Machine-Readable Branch of the National Archives consisting of an introduction and portions of computer printouts. The last three data sets have computer dumps in a print format because they contain text material and they are included with the documentation.

FILE AVAILABILITY: The file is currently available from:

Machine-Readable Branch (NNSR)

Special Archives Division

National Archives and Records Administration

Washington, D.C. 20408

QUOTATION: Includes codes, record layouts, Research Analysis Corporation Briefing (62pp.), punch card format, file description.

DATA SETS:

Ammunition Expenditure 1968. Data set name RG338.COLEDV.AE68. Ammunition Expenditure 1969. Data set name RG338.COLEDV.AE69. Ammunition Expenditure 1970. Data set name RG338.COLEDV.AE70. End Item Loss. Data set name RG338.COLEDV.EDNI. Item Name File. Data set name RG338.COLEDV.ITEM. Organization Name File. Data set name RG338.COLEDV.ORGN.